



**NORTH CAROLINA
PUBLIC STAFF
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

July 25, 2023

Ms. A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk
North Carolina Utilities Commission
4325 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300

Re: Docket Nos. W-1139, Sub 7 and W-1343, Sub 0 – Application for Transfer of Public Utility Franchise from Ginguite Woods Water Reclamation Authority, Inc. to GWWTP, LLC and for Approval of Rates

Dear Ms. Dunston:

An application seeking to transfer the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide sewer utility service held by Ginguite Woods Water Reclamation Authority, Inc. (Ginguite) from Ginguite to GWWTP, LLC (GWWTP) was filed in the above-referenced docket on February 10, 2023. The Public Staff has reviewed the filing and researched Ginguite's history before the Commission. The Public Staff's research suggests that the sewer system has been abandoned by the current franchise holder as well as a Commission-appointed emergency operator. The Public Staff's research also revealed that the real property on which the system is located has been sold multiple times without Commission approval. GWWTP has stepped in and is currently operating the system to maintain service to customers. Given the irregularities outlined above, a transfer proceeding is not appropriate at this time. The Public Staff, therefore, recommends that the Commission find the application incomplete on its face. The Public Staff's investigation is on-going and the Public Staff is actively working with counsel for GWWTP to determine a path forward.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,
Electronically submitted
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